



# METAMORA PARK DISTRICT

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## Regular Meeting Minutes

**Date and Time of Meeting:** Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

**Location of Meeting:** Village Hall, 102 N Davenport St. Metamora, IL 61548

**Minutes Prepared by:** Katie Garber, Executive Director

## Call to Order

Pledge	Performed at 7:02 p.m.
Roll Call	Myranda Driskell, Matt Bidne, Kerry Brock, and Andrew Kamm were present. Kari Ray was absent.

## Public Input

	There was no public input.
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## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report	<p>Treasurer Joan Garber gave the Treasurer's Report. The commissioners reviewed the report. Vice President Bidne asked if anyone had questions or if anyone would like to make a motion to approve.</p> <p>Kamm asked if the Park District Bond from 2017 had been used, and Joan Garber informed everyone that one had already been used up.</p> <p>Brock made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as provided. Driskell seconded the motion. Myranda Driskell, Matt Bidne, Kerry Brock, and Andrew Kamm voted in favor. Kari Ray was absent. Motion passed.</p>
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## Consent Agenda

Review of Consent Agenda	<p>Matt Bidne, Vice President, asked if there were any concerns or typos found with the presented meeting minutes. No errors were found.</p> <p>Garber shared some of the key points of her Director's Report. She shared that she met with multiple people throughout the month, exchanging introductions as well as gaining new insight into the position. She highlighted one point regarding the camera system. It was stated that she was looking into different options that require or do not require internet connection. Garber informed the commissioners that after the costs are figured out exactly, then both options would be presented to the Board.</p> <p>Bidne pointed out that because of the high dollar amount of both the Etcheson and the Hohulin bills, they both needed to be moved down to Action Items at the next meeting and voted on separately.</p> <p>Driskell stated that there was nothing new with the library.</p>
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	<p>Brock shared that she reached out to the high school to see if they would be able to construct some obstacle course items for the dog park. She also said that she reached out to Camp Bow Wow and they would like to sponsor a waste station. She also stated that Hohulin came to fix a gap that was in the fence. It looks like because seeding was not completed this past year, the dog park will not be able to officially open until the summer.</p> <p>Kamm stated that since the dog park is wrapping up, different ideas can start being discussed about the bathroom at Brighton Park.</p>
Approval of Consent Agenda	<p>Driskell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, excluding the Etcheson and Hohulin bills but including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Minutes of the regular meeting of December 8, 2021</li><li>Minutes of Executive Session meeting on December 8, 2021</li><li>Director's Report for the month of December</li><li>Committee reports as orally presented at tonight's meeting</li></ul> <p>Brock seconded the motion. Myranda Driskell, Matt Bidne, Kerry Brock, and Andrew Kamm voted in favor. Kari Ray was absent. Motion passed.</p>

## Informational Items

Open Meeting Act Certifications	Director Garber let the commissioners know that she completed her FOIA and OMA certifications, and is now the designated FOIA officer. She also brought it to the board members' attention that Commissioner Kamm, Ray, and Driskell did not have OMA certifications on file. She let these commissioners know that she would get the information emailed to them so that they could complete their training.
Hunting at Black Partridge Park	Katie Garber brought it to the attention of the board that the deer population at Black Partridge Park is getting far too high and is having a negative impact on the park. She informed the commissioners that she was meeting with a member of IDNR on the phone later in the week to help come up with a plan for hunting implementation. It was decided that Garber would come up with a strategy for hunting and present it to the board at a later meeting.
Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village Police	Director Garber stated that she met with Metamora Police Department's Chief Rebman about the agreement that they have with the Park District to patrol Black Partridge Park even though it is outside of the limits of the Village of Metamora. They agreed in this meeting that since it was written a long time ago a new contract should be written up. Chief Rebman wanted a clause added to the current agreement that Village ordinances would be enforced. It was decided that Garber would get in contact with the Park District lawyer to get a new contract written.



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Pool Property Discussion-Dollar General	Director Garber presented an email from the Park District's lawyer laying out the rules that would need to be followed if they were to decide to sell off part of the Pool's parking lot. Mayor Cummings was in attendance at this meeting, and he explained Dollar General's intention with the property. The commissioners brainstormed some different ideas including selling the entire property, only selling the portion requested, doing a land swap, and not selling at all. No decisions were made, but Garber's next steps were to see how many parking spots the pool legally needs in accordance with the capacity of the building. Also, she is going to work on getting an appraisal for the desired property.
Brighton Park Bathroom	The commissioners questioned whether this park needed a bathroom or not since it is more of a neighborhood park than the rest of the parks. Commissioner Kamm brought up the idea that to test out the idea of whether the park truly needs a bathroom an ADA compliant port-a-potty could be brought out. They did discuss that sometimes they aren't pleasing to the eye, especially in a neighborhood, so a privacy fence could be built on three sides to help with this. Lastly, gravel could be laid to make the port-a-potty easily accessible. The board agreed this seemed to be the best idea to ensure Park District funds would be spent where they will most be used.
Concrete Bill	The concrete bill from Fred Schrepfer for the dog park was presented. It needed to be paid but will be retroactively approved at next month's meeting.
Dog Park Rules Sign	Director Garber presented the dog park rules sign, and it was brought up that a point should be added that there should be no more than three dogs per handler. Other than this point, it was decided that the compiled rules looked good with the addition and could be voted to be approved next month.
Pool Playground Equipment Replacement Pieces	Garber presented a quote from Team REIL for a couple pieces of equipment needed for the pool playground equipment. She wanted to get it shown this month so that it can get approved in the following month. This would put it on track for the pieces to come in and be installed come spring.
Pool House Stairs	Garber brought up the fact that the current stairs leading to the basement in the pool house are a hazard. Given the fact that it is unclear how long the pool will be around for, the commissioners were unsure about whether the stairs should be replaced completely or just repaired. It was decided that Garber would get quotes for both options.

## Action Items

	There are no action items.
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## Executive Session

Motion to Enter Executive Session	Brock made a motion to enter Executive Session at 8:51 p.m. under Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss (1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational,
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	<p>or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.</p> <p>Kamm seconded the motion. Myranda Driskell, Matt Bidne, Kerry Brock, and Andrew Kamm voted in favor. Kari Ray was absent. Motion passed.</p>
Motion to Leave Executive Session	Driskell made a motion to leave the Executive Session at 9:32 p.m. Brock seconded the motion.
Vote on Executive Session Items	No vote needed.

## Adjournment

	Driskell made a motion to adjourn at 9:32 p.m. Brock seconded the motion.
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Kari Ray, President

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Secretary